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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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For: AQUATIC HAND PADDLE

AMENDMENT UNDER C.F.R. 1.111

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to an Office Action Summary dated June 22, 2004, please consider the following amendments to the claims and remarks related to the subject application.

STATUS OF THE APPLICATION

Claim 17 is objected to because of a certain informality.

Claims 1-4, 6-8, 10, 11 and 13-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by a patent to Cochran.

Claims 5,9 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious based on the patent to Cochran.

PLEASE AMEND THE APPLICATION AS FOLLOWS:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please see the following new claims found on separate pages.